# Selling To State & Local Government: Strategies For Success



# Small Business Procurement Workshop Wednesday, April 20, 2005

Registration 7:30 am to 8:00 am
Workshop 8:00 am to Noon
Lord Fairfax Community College,
Special Events Center, Middletown Campus

#### **Admission is free**

Representatives from the Commonwealth of Virginia will discuss the state's new initiative to increase access to state contracting for **small**, **women** and **minority** businesses. Topics include state certification and use of eVA, the state's electronic purchasing system.

## This is your opportunity to:

Meet state and local government buyers.

Hear what products and services buyers are seeking.

Introduce your business to state and local government buyers.

Receive business assistance with state certification and eVA.





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### AGENDA

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7:30 AM	REGISTRATION & NETWORKING				
8:00	WELCOME: PAUL CARROLL, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, FRONT ROYAL/WARREN COUNTY EDA				
8:05	UTILIZING SWAM BUSINESSES IN STATE & LOCAL PROCUREMENT: David Fuller, Virginia Department of Business Assistance				
8:20	INTRODUCTION OF SHAY HOPE, DEPARTMENT OF MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE David Fuller, DBA				
8:20-8:50	STATE CERTIFICATION & VIRGINIA'S SWAM INITIATIVE: Shay Hope, Procurement Advocate, DMBE				
8:50-9:00	CERTIFICATION Q & A				
9:00-9:15	NETWORKING & COFFEE BREAK				
9:15-9:20	INTRODUCTION OF DEBORAH HUDSON, PROCUREMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM MANAGER, DBA: David Fuller, DBA				
9:20-10:00	MAXIMIZING VENDOR SUCCESS WITH eVA: Deborah Hudson, Procurement Assistance Program Manager, DBA				
10:00-10:15	eVA Q & A				
10:15-10:30	INTRODUCTION OF STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT BUYERS: David Fuller				

#### 10:30-12:00 VENDOR MATCHMAKING & ASSISTANCE FAIR

- Suppliers visit exhibitors and meet buyers face to face and discuss specific purchasing needs.
- ▶ Department of Minority Business Enterprise exhibit and seating available for one-on-one explanation and assistance with questions on certification process and SWAM initiative.
- Virginia Business Information Center (VBIC) live help exhibiting and available for business problem solving.
- ▶ DBA Procurement Assistance exhibiting and available for vendor support and guidance on eVA website and market strategy.





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### **ATTENDEE INFORMATION:**

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Business/Organization			FIN (Fed. ID Number)	
Address				
City			State	Zip
Telephone	Fax		Email	
Principal Product or Service				

#### **WORKSHOP LOCATION:**

Lord Fairfax Community College, Middletown Campus; Special Events Center **REGISTRATION: 7:30 TO 8:00 AM WORKSHOP: 8:00 AM TO 12:00 NOON** 

#### **SEND REGISTRATION TO:**

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#### **QUESTIONS OR SPECIAL NEEDS:**

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